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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT:

Status Reports on Operations in Laos and Cambodia

In order to provide the President with current and complete information on the two major operations being conducted by South Vietnamese forces in Laos and Cambodia, it is requested that a status report be sent to the White House situation room by 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. daily. Reports should include, as appropriate:

- -- Diplomatic reactions and developments. (State/CIA)
- -- Significant foreign public reactions. (State)
- -- Congressional and domestic reactions and developments. (State)
- -- Enemy reactions and disposition of forces.(CIA/Defense)
- -- Internal South Vietnamese, Cambodian and Laotian developments. (State/CIA)
- -- Progress of friendly forces in achieving objectives. (Defense)
- -- Plans for future operations. (Defense)
- -- Casualty figures, both daily and cumulative for U.S., RVNAF and enemy forces. (Defense)
- -- Quantities of materiel seized and destroyed (rounds of ammunition by type if known, numbers of individual and crew served weapons captured, food in pounds, vehicles, explosives, communications equipment, POL, medical supplies, etc.) for reporting period and cumulatively. (Defense)
- -- Enemy facilities destroyed (bunkers, structures, base camps, pipelines). (Defense)
- -- Extent of U.S. air participation, including results of B-52 and close air support efforts and aircraft losses. (Defense)
- -- Other information concerning the operations which might be of interest to the President.

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cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
Director, United States Information Agency

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